

**Stephanie at Bergen Community College
Northern New Jersey Health Professions Consortium**

Stephanie Davila was referred to Warren County Community College (WCCC) by the County Division of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF). Stephanie's heritage is Hispanic. At the time she began the program, Stephanie was an unemployed, 22-year-old, single mother, with three children, the youngest being 2 years old. Stephanie and her family were receiving cash assistance from TANF as well as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Stephanie had some prior work experience as a house cleaner and personal caregiver, but her work record was interrupted because of family issues.

Stephanie enrolled in WCCC's Certified Nursing Assistant Program and worked diligently throughout the course. The HPOG program provided case management, books, mentoring, academic counseling, uniforms, and support. She completed the program and passed her State Certification. She is now gainfully employed at a long-term care facility very close to her home.

Stephanie reports that she is enjoying her new position and is excited about the prospects of improving her life. She feels that she is on the path to self-sufficiency.